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SUBJECT: RFG: RUSSIAN REQUEST FOR THERMAL SIGHTS

Classified By: A/DCM Kelly Degnan. Reasons: 1.4 (b) and (d).

11. (C/NF) During an October 20 social dinner, Russian Ambassador to NATO Rogozin asked Ambassador Daalder for his assistance in securing the sale of U.S. thermal weapons sights to the Russian Federation for use by the Russian Federal Security Service's (FSB's) Alpha Group. He also handed Daalder a packet of commercial literature about thermal sights from Night Vision Systems, a DRS Technologies Company (scanned and e-mailed to EUR-RPM). Ambassador Daalder promised to report the request to Washington.

12. (C/NF) RFG: Recognizing that this technology is probably subject to export controls, Mission requests guidance on how to respond to Rogozin's request. We would also be interested to learn whether similar approaches have taken place in Moscow or Washington.
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